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Motion Granting extension of time until 9/26/11.

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF OHIO So Ordered.

In re POLYURETHANE FOAM ANTITRUST) LITIGATION)	<u>S/Jack Zouhary</u> 9/15/11 U.S. District Judge
	MDL Docket No. 2196 Index No. 10-MD-2196 (JZ)
THIS DOCUMENT RELATES TO:	
ALL CASES)	

DEFENDANTS' JOINT MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO ANSWER THE DIRECT AND INDIRECT PURCHASER PLAINTIFFS' CONSOLIDATED AMENDED CLASS ACTION COMPLAINTS AND THE DIRECT ACTION NON-CLASS COMPLAINTS UNTIL SEVEN (7) DAYS AFTER THE COURT'S RESOLUTION OF THE PENDING MOTIONS FOR RECONSIDERATION

By Order dated August 15, 2011, the Court noted that due to the pendency of Defendants' motions for reconsideration "there are some remaining issues requiring resolution in order for Defendants to file a complete Answer" to the Direct and Indirect Purchaser Plaintiffs' Consolidated Amended Class Action Complaints and the Direct Action Non-Class Complaints in this multidistrict litigation. The Court accordingly granted all Defendants an additional thirty (30) days, until September 14, 2011, in which to answer the complaints. *See* No. 10-MD-2196 (JZ), Docket No. 229; *see also* August 16, 2011 Marginal Docket Entries in Nos. 1:11-pf-10001 (JZ), 1:11-pf-10007 (JZ), 1:11-pf-10008 (JZ), 1:11-pf-10009 (JZ), and 1:11-pf-10011 (JZ) (applying the August 15, 2011 Order to the direct action non-class complaints).

Because Defendants' motions for reconsideration remain pending, on Monday, September 12, 2011, Defendants contacted Lead Counsel for the Direct and Indirect Purchaser Class Plaintiffs and Lead Counsel for the Direct Action Non-Class Plaintiffs requesting a stipulation, in light of the Court's August 15, 2011 Order, extending Defendants' time to answer the complaints until seven (7) days after the Court's resolution of the pending motions for reconsideration. As of the filing of this motion, Plaintiffs have not provided a substantive response to Defendants' request other than to state that they intend to respond sometime today. *See* attached Exhibit A.

Because the parameters of this case, and therefore the scope and substance of Defendants' answers, depend on the Court's resolution of the pending motions for reconsideration, and because Defendants will be forced to prepare answers given the lack of a substantive response to date from Plaintiffs' counsel on the requested stipulation, Defendants respectfully request that the Court enter an Order extending their time to answer the Direct and Indirect Purchaser Plaintiffs' Consolidated Amended Class Action Complaints and the Direct Action Non-Class Complaints until seven (7) days after the Court's resolution of the pending motions for reconsideration.

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I hereby certify that on September 13, 2011 a copy of the foregoing Defendants' Motion for Extension of Time was filed electronically. Notice of this filing will be sent by operation of the Court's electronic filing system to all parties indicated on the electronic filing receipt. Parties may access this filing through the Court's system.

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I have not received a response to my email of yesterday. We would request the courtesy of a response.

Regards, Bethany

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In light of the Court's previous ruling extending the deadline for Defendants to respond to all of the Complaints pending a ruling on the motions to dismiss, would plaintiffs (direct, indirect, and direct non-class) be amenable to a short extension of time to file answers to 7 days after the Court's ruling on the motions to dismiss?

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